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Applicant(s):

AOTA, et al.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

December 2, 2002

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the first month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed August 2, 2002. A Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 503.35933VV5).

Respectfully submitted,

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